Chickasaw Baptist Association.

1898

MINUTES OF THE

Fifty-Ninth Annual Session

OF THE

Chickasaw Baptist Association,

HELD WITH

NEW ALBANY BAPTIST CHURCH, UNION COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI.

Nov. 29, 30 & Dec. 1-1898.

OFFICERS.

C. W. SMITH, Moderator, ... Darden, Miss.
B. O. GARNER, Treasurer, ... Ecru, Miss.
V. B. TUCKER, Clerk, ... Ecru, Miss.

The next annual meeting to be held with Philadelphia Baptist Church about fifteen miles South-west of New Albany, commencing on Tuesday before the third Sunday in September, 1899.

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OFFICERS OF THE ASSOCIATION.

REV. C. W. SMITH, - - - - - - Moderator.
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B. O. GARNER, - - - - - - - Treasurer.
J. W. TUCKER, - - - - - Assistant Treasurer.

Executive Committee.

W. R. Spencer, J. C. Bailey, B. J. Caldwell, J. R. Hill and V. B. Tucker.

Standing Committees.

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE AND EDUCATION.—W. P. Winter and C. C. Hughes.

MISSIONS.—Alonzo Souter and V. B. Tucker.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.—Ralph Knox and W. C. Wilbanks.

PROHIBITION.—F. M. Ferrell and J. T. Short.

WOMAN'S WORK.—J. W. Boatwright and John T. Brown.

STATE OF RELIGION.—M. J. Quick and A. R. Wilson.

DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS.—J. H. Morgan and James Rogers.

INTRODUCTORY SERMON.—J. S. Hubbard and J. J. Gibson, Alternate.

Ministerial Register.

T. R. BLACK, Ecru, Miss. W. J. BALL, Wallerville, Miss.
C. W. SMITH, Darden, Miss. I. M. GRAY, Darden, Miss.
W. M. GADD, Avanelle, " J. H. MORGAN, Bethlehem, Miss.
F. M. FERRELL, Toccopola, " W. A. MAYO, Mud Creek, "
W. A. ROGERS, Mud Creek, Miss. J. J. GIBSON, Banner, "
J. S. HUBBARD, Tula, Miss. W. L. MULLENS, Dallas, Miss.
A. J. JONES, Gallway, " J. P. ROGERS, Cornersville, "
W. H. WRIGHT, New Albany, Miss T. R. STROUP, New Albany, Miss.

Licentiates.

J. L. BYERS. J. L. PETTY. HENRY BALL.

MINUTES. . . .

THE Fifty Ninth Session of the Chickasaw Baptist Association met with New Albany Baptist Church on Nov. 28th 1898. Devotional services led by Pastor of the church, Bro. J. D. Anderson.

The Association being without a Moderator, on motion of Bro. C. W. Smith, Bro. W. L. Souter was elected Moderator protem. Prayer by Bro. R. A. Cooper. The brethren appointed to preach the introductory sermon being absent on motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright, Bro. R. A. Cooper was asked to preach the sermou to which he responded. Scripture Lesson 3rd chapter of 1st Peter. Prayer by Bro. W. M. Gadd. Text, 1st Peter 3:15, After sermon, prayer by W. P. Winter. After which which Bro. LeRoy Kenneday gave the address of welcome. The Moderator called on Bro. C. W. Smith to respond to which he did with deep feeling.

A note from H. E. Blakeslee, editor of the New Albany GAZETTE, was read by the clerk giving a hearty welcome to all the delegates and visitors to the Association to make his office headquarters while in the city.

On motion of Bro. C. W. Smith, thanks were tendered Bro. Blakeslee for this kind invitation. Adjourned till 2 o'clock for refreshments, and homes were assigned to all delegates and visitors.

EVENING SESSION.

After song by the Choir and prayer by Bro. W. R. Spencer, the letters were called for and Brethren W. M. Berry and Alonzo Souter were appointed reading clerks, and the letters from the different churches were read.

LIST OF DELEGATES.

Tula church— Rev. J. J. Gibson*, Rev. W. L. Mullens* and Rev. J. S. Hubbard*.

Fredonia—Rev. T. R. Black, Neely Huskison, Duke Nix*, and Zach Huskison*, alt.

Temperance Hill— J. M. Shadrack*, T. B. Caldwell*, and J. W. Boatwright.

Friendship—L. A. Souter, F. M. Bingham*, R. C. Lemons*, and W. L. Souter, alt.

Macedonia—C. W. Smith, I. M. Gray, J. T. Garrison, and W. N. Swain*, alt.

Philadelphia—G. F. Bonds, J. W. Adams*, M. D. Wait*, J. D. Nabors*, alt.

Oak Grove—W. M. Gadd, J. M. Hamric, J. H. Dodds and R. H. Grisham, * alt.

Cherry Creek—V. B. Tucker, J. F. Pitts, T. H. Spencer*, and W. R. Spencer, alt.

Liberty—B. J. Caldwell, W. M. Mounce*, S. J. Fitzgerald and G. A. Reaves*, alt.

Pleasant Hill—J. B. Robbins, R. J. Lee, W. J. Vawters, and F. M. Oaks, alt.

Spring Hill—J. H. Collins, Ernest Long, T. N. Collins, and W. A. Rogers*, alt.

Amaziah—J. L. Byers*, J. R. Webb, J. F. Boatner* and L. M. Baker, * alt.

Salem—H. H. Kirk*, J. A. Raffield*, A. J. Blackard*, and J. H. Morgan, alt.

Myrtle—J. E. Coltharp*, A. C. West*, L. R. Baker*, and A. R. Collins, alt.

New Albany—E. Y. Reaves, C. S. Roberson, H. Marshall, S. R. Knox, and W. C. Wilbanks, alt.

Cypress Creek—J. C. Barry*, J. F. Goolsby, E. H. Harris, and M. C. Butler*, alt.

Mt. Pleasant—J. R. Sumner, J. C. Bailey, W. D. Wilkins*, and C. S. Cullens*, alt.

Mt. Pisgah—A. J. Jones*, J. A. Beard, N. Tucker, and J. D. Hale, alt.

New Hope—Jas. M. Smith.

Valley—N. J. Treadaway, J. C. Russell*, and J. T. Russell*.

The Moderator appointed Brethren R. A. Cooper and J. D. Anderson, tellers of the election, who after the ballot announced the following result. C. W. Smith, Moderator B. O. Garner, Treasurer, and V. B. Tucker, Clerk. The Moderator appointed Brethren J. W. Boatwright and W. L. Souter as committee to prepare an order of business.

As devotional committee Brethren Jas. M. Smith, Jas. M. Hamric, and the Deacons of New Albany church.

Report of Committee on Order of Business.

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1. Petitionary letters.
2. Call for correspondents.
3. Report on Missions.
4. Report on Miss., College and Education.
5. Report of Executive Committee.
6. Report on Sunday School.
7. Report on Prohibition.
8. Report on Woman's Work.
9. Report on State of Religion.
10. Report on Family Prayer.
11. Report on Documents and Publications.
12. Report on Finance.
13. Determine Place of Next Meeting.
14. Elect member to preach the Introductory Sermon.
15. Appoint Correspondents.
16. Appoint Standing Committees.
17. General Business.

Submitted,

J. W. Boatwright.
W. L. Souter.

On motion of Bro. I. M. Gray, the report was adopted.

There was a motion made to instruct the Devotional committee not to report any preaching for this meeting, but after some discussion the motion was tabled.

The Moderator called for correspondents and gave the hand of welcome to Brethren R. A. Cooper and W. M. Berry, of the Aberdeen Association, and J. I. Wade from the West Judson.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souter the Moderator was empowered to appoint all the committees for this meeting at his pleasure.

The Moderator called on Brethren W. P. Winter and J. W. Boatwright to get up the report on Missions. The brethren appointed being absent, and in order to suit the convenience of Brp. A. V. Rowe. On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright this report was set for 10 o'clock on to-morrow.

Report on Mississippi College and Education called for.

A report was read by Bro. J. R. Sumner and on motion of Bro. C. S. Robertson the report was recommitted so the chairman might make it more complete.

The report on Sunday Schools was called for and a report was read by Bro. W. M. Gadd.

The following report made by the Devotional committee. Your committee recommend that the Association spend one half an hour to-night in devotional exercises led by Bro. I. M. Gray and one half hour in the morning in devotional exercises led by Bro. J. R. Sumner. On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatright, the report was amended by fixing the time for meeting to-night at 7 o'clock and in the morning at 8½ o'clock.

On Motion of Bro. W. L. Souter the following resolution was adopted. Resolve that the Association during this meeting meet at 8:30 o'clock in the evening, adjourn at 12. Meet at 2 P. M., adjourn at will. Meet at 7 P. M., adjourn at will.

The report on Sunday Schools as read by W. M. Gadd was received for discussion. Discussed by Brethren W. M. Gadd, J. D. Anderson, B. J. Caldwell, R. A. Cooper, J. H. Morgan, I. M. Gray.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souter the Association was adjourned till 7 o'clock this morning. Dismissed by Bro. J. D. Anderson.

FIRST DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Bro. I. M. Gray not present. Devotional services led by Bro. J. W. Boatwright, participated in by Brethren A. V. Rowe, J. D. Anderson, R. A. Cooper and W. L. Souter.

The Moderator gave the hand of welcome to Brethren B. R. Hughey, of the Tippah Association and A. V. Rowe, our State Secretary.

The report on Sunday Schools again taken up, and discussed by Brethren A. V. Rowe, B. R. Hughey, W. P. Winters, S. J. Owen, J. W. Boatwright, and Alonzo Souter.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souter the report was recommitted. On motion adjourned till 8:30 o'clock in the morning. Dismissed by Bro. B. R. Hughey.

SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises conducted by Bro. T. A. J. Beasley, participated in by Brethren G. W. Potter and Frank Souter.

The minutes of the first day were read and approved.

On motion of Bro. W. R. Spencer, the Moderator was ordered to have the roll called the first thing after dinner and have the absent ones marked.

Letters were again called for. A letter was presented and read from Mt. Pisgah church.

The Moderator gave the hand of welcome to Brethren G. W. Potter, of the Cold Water Association, T. A. J. Beasley, of the West Judson and Frank Souter, of the Aberdeen.

The report on Sunday Schools was again taken up and read by Bro. W. M. Gadd to wit:

Report on Sunday Schools.

"Your committee on Sunday Schools beg to make the following report. We feel that the Association is interested in the work from the fact of the existence of this committee but when we look over the field and see the destitution and need of the thorough teaching of God's word, we come back to you with smighting of conscience and cry out, "Men of Israel, help," and try if possible to stimulate you to greater action.

O that our people may know their day and that they may rise up to possess the field for behold it is white to the harvest, and our hearts prayer is that the Lord will send more laborers into his harvest. We feel that the town and city churches do not fully know and appreciate our desire for their help in gettiug our country churches on a higher plane in teaching God's word. Where the field is most inviting there the laborers are few. Many of our churches have schools that are not doing what they ought to do from the lack of men and women capable to thoroughly teach God's word. Our country churches need to know more of God's word. They need to know more of the doctrines of our people and we earnestly urge our pastors to have more to do with our own Sunday School work and less to do with the Interdenominational work. We heartily commend the literature of our Sunday School board."

Submitted,

W. M. GADD
V. B. TUCKER
J. W. TUCKER
} Committee.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souter this report was adopted and ordered to put in the minutes.

On morion of the clerk Bro. Ralph Knox was added to the committee on Prohibition.

The report on Woman's Work was called and passed for the present.

Report on Family Prayer was called for. Bro. I. M. Gray made a verbal report on this question, on motion of Bro. W. L. Souter the verbal report of Bro. I. M. Gray was accepted and the subject was discussed by Brethren W. M. Gadd and G. W. Potter. Song. The report on Missions was called for and the following report was read by Bro. W. P. Winter to wit:

Report on State Missions.

All of our work this year has been done under difficulties, but perhaps no department of our work has suffered more than State Missions. The epidemic not only made it difficult to collect funds, but its appearance at some of our Stations, and its Proximty to others greatly hindered the work at a time when it would have otherwise been most vigorously prosecuted. Yet, despite all this, we have great reasons to be encouraged, and this should but make us more determined to carry on the work commited to us. In our own State there has been 88 Misionaries under the employment of our Convention Board.

Their report shows that they have occupied 131 Stations and preached 4,280 sermons. No. received by baptism 426, by letter 446, restoration 65. churches organized 7, Sunday Schools organized 36 and collected for Missions $1,100, houses of worship commenced 17, finished 4.

Brethren there is much to be done and we most earnestly hope that the request of our Secretary for enlarged contributions be heeded.

Home Mission Statistics.

No. Missionaries employed 467, baptisms 4,379, total additions 9,509. In our *own* state, the Home Mission Board has in co-operation with our Board done a great work. The report to the S. B. C. shows that Miss., gave the Board last year $7955.60 for Missions and $1179.00 for church buildings. We could easily double that amount next year if we would.

May the Lord incline us to do so.

Foreign Mission Work.

The Foreign Mission Board has in its employ 76 mission-

aries and 176 natives, laboring in 6 different countries viz: Mexico, Brazil, Italy, China, Africa, and Japan.

The first 3 are Roman Catholics, the other 3 are heathen.

We have in these countries 102 churches, 4760 members. Baptized last year 701. There are 41 ordained native preachers and the contribution of these christians $657.76. The amount given by the S. B. C. for Foreign Missions last year was $124,249.69 of which Mississippi gave $7192.41. Dear brethren, the Master tells us, the Baptist, to preach His gospel to every creature. In 1st Timothy 2 and 4 Paul tells us that God wants everybody saved. Who will have all men to be saved? From this we learn that man by nature is lost, and God wants him saved. He has proven this by the rich provision he has made for our salvation.

Respectfully Submitted,

W. P. WINTER,
J. W BOATWRIGHT.

On motion of Bro. C. S. Robertson the report was received for discussion and the floor was yielded to Bro. A. V. Rowe, our State Secretary, who made a grand missionary talk and gave an outline of the mission work in the state. Discussed by Brethren Frank Souter, W. H. Wright, B. R. Hughey. Report adopted. Adjourned till 2 o'clock for refreshments.

The Devotional committee reported that Bro. B. R. Hughey would deliver his famous lecture tonight at 7 o'clock. On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright the report of the Devotional committee was adopted.

Dismissed for dinner by Bro. A. V. Rowe.

SECOND DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

On motion of Bro. J. R. Sumner the roll call was suspended for one hour. The report of the Executive Committee was read by V. B. Tucker to wit:

Report of the Executive Committee.

"Your Executive Committee beg leave to make the following report. Soon after the last Association we met and organized by electing Bro. W. R. Spencer and V. B. Tucker, clerk. We made at this meeting the apportionment to the churches of the Association of the $650.00 asked from this Association by the State Board, and had this put in the

minutes of the Asscciation which can be found on page 16 of last years minutes. There still being a balance of a few dollars due Bro. John Thompson by this Association for Rail Road fare to the S. B. Convention. The members of the board paid this amount out of their own pockets having failed after two trials to raise the amount.

We held another meeting and sent out an appeal to each church for money to pay the rail road fare of our delegates to the S. B. Convention the year 1898, just before the Convention met at Norfolk, Va., and only a very small per cent of the churches responded to this call, sending in only $4.30 for this purpose. We, your Executive Board, would recommend to the Association not to appoint a delegate to the S. B. Convention to represent us in that body unless we have the money forth coming to bear his expenses.

Some time about the middle of October the Clerk of the Association was notified by the Clerk of Philadelphia church that the Association was put off until its regular time of meeting in 1899. This being very dissatisfactory to some of the brethren of the Association not to have any meeting of the Association at all for the year 1898, the Executive Board was asked to call a meeting to decide upon this.

The Chairman at once called a meeting of the committee and it was decided that it would be the best for the Association and the cause of the Master to have the Association meet, although we could not expect a full meeting, and in the mean time New Albany church sent to the Board a cordial invitation for the Association to meet with her on Tuesday after the 4th Sunday in Nov. 1898, and the Board gladly accepted the invitation and ordered the Clerk at once to notify each church of her action and a letter was written to each church notifying them of the time and place of meeting.

We, your committee have to report very little work done in a financial way in the bounds of the Association in regard to the mission question and we feel that our Association is very much in need of a revival in mission work."

Submitted,

W. R. SPENCER
B. J. CALDWELL
J. C. BAILEY
JNO. R. HILL
V. B. TUCKER
} Committee.

On motion of Bro J. W. Boatwright the report as read was adopted.

The report on Mississippi College and Education was again called up and the following report was read by Bro. J. R. Sumner to wit:

Report on Mississippi College and Education.

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The session of 1896 and 1897 was one of the most prosperous in the history of the school, so much so that the hope was entertained that there would be 300 students in attendance during the session of 1897 and 1898. This hope was blighted by the coming of yellow fever to Clinton during the summer of 1897. This caused a delay in the opening of the school until Dec. 7th. In spite of this delay and the fear of yellow fever there were 115 pupils enrolled. Ten of these were post-graduate students. There were 28 ministerial students. There were 19 graduates from the College last session. There were 4 ministerial students who graduated. The income from students and other sources lacked more than $3000,00 of meeting necessary expenses of the College. This deficit was provided for by donations of freinds of the college. These contributions were made in response to a call of W. T. Lowrey who had been elected to undertake this work. For this noble service Bro. Lowrey received no compensation. At the last meeting of the State Convention the Trustees of the College elected Bro. W. T. Lowrey as President. He is very hopeful of success. The present session was set to begin Sept. 15th, but because of the yellow fever at Jackson, the session did not open until Nov. 9th, notwithstanding the disadvantages the school opened with 115 pupils, 100 of whom are boarding students. Education should begin with the commencement of life. The most important part of education is the home training and development. We should patronize and help the free public schools because of the educational advantages which they give.

The educational advantages of Mississippi College are suggested by her history and life."

J. R. SUMNER.

Discussed by J. R. Sumner, A. V. Rowe, R. A. Cooper, and B. R. Hughey, and on motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright the report as read was adopted.

The hour for calling of the roll here. Quite a number of delegates not present, and the Clerk was ordered to mark each one, so that the churches might kuow how many of their delegates attended the meeting.

The report on Prohibition was called for and read by Bro. W. M. Berry, as Bro. Ralph Knox was absent, to wit:

Report on Prohibition.

By driving from our land the destroying demon of drink and the use of narcotics in whatever form found. Your committee believes that the cause of our Blessed Savior will be materially promoted.

This can in a great degree be accomplished by our laymen making an individual effort for the cause of temperance and by our ministers continually talking to their congregations along this line showing them the baneful effects of intemperance statistics will be found appealing to those who care enough for the cause to investigate.

It matters not from what clime the human race hales to become addicted to the habit of intemperance is to blind the mind and to derange the life sustaining organs, thereby producing destruction of the body, insanity, dissipation of fortune and a multitude of other vices.

When we consider that of the once noble men and women of our country about six millions are going to a drunkard's grave and entoiling upon the future generation a disease that God's omnipitent hand alone can remove we would suggest a renewed effort in this work, even on the part of those who have in the last ten years been so loyal. Several counties, about 12 yet remain in our state in the bondage of intemperance.

Unless we can free our state from the influence of this dangerous dragon-drink. We suggest that the appellation "Land of Liberty" be dropped for where reason is dethroned there is no liberty.

Your committee would recommend the resolution offered at the last Baptist State Convention to memoralize Congress to so amend the revenue laws, as to forbid the issuance of a license to sell liquor in prohibition counties and municipalities in Mississippi.

Some one has said, "my brother is the man my life touches," then we should stand as man to man in the fight for prohibition for we are our brother's keeper.

Respectfully Submitted,

J. C. BAILEY.
S. R. KNOX.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souter the report was adopted without discussion.

Report on Woman's Work.

"Your committee on Woman's Work would submit. That the churches of our Association have not engaged largely in organizing Women's Societies. There are only three organized societies reported. We are profoundly convicted that it is each christian's duty to help spread the glorious Gospel of Christ, but would leave it to the judgement of the sisters of each church as to whether they can do most by an organized society or by individual effort. In an organized capacity the sisters have an opportunity to commune together, confer with each other and pray for one another, all of which is mutually helpful. The Woman's Central Committee reported $5436.69 raised by such societies last year.

This is not to be understood as all that the sisterhood of the state has done, it is simply what has been done through the organized societies. We would recommend the organization of societies when practical, also that the societies report their work to their churches and that it be reported to the Association as church work."

J. H. MORGAN.

This report was discussed by Bro. A. V. Rowe and on motion of Bro. J. R. Sumner the report was adopted.

Report on State of Religion.

On account of the limited number of churches represented by letter or delegates, we cannot get a correct report of the work done in our bounds. We find 79 Baptisms reported in the letters that came to hand, 17 in number. We find that some of the churches fully met their apportionment while others fell far short. So we don't think the spirit of mission among us is what it ought to be, therefore we recommend each member of each church within our bounds to study the scriptures and by them decide whether or not the Spirit of Christ is the spirit of missions and then remember if we have not the Spirit of Christ we are none of His.

W. L. SOUTER.

The report was discussed by Brethren W. L. Souter, J. W. Boatwright and W. P. Winter. And on motion of Bro. J. R. Sumner the report was adopted.

Report on Documents and Publications.

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Your committee on Documents and Publications respectfully submit the following:

We recommend that the Bible be earnestly and prayerfully read in our families for our own edification as well as to enable us to give a reason to every man for the hope that is in us.

We especially recommend that our members subscribe for the Baptist, our State organ, and would further recommend the Foreign Mission Journal, and the Southern Baptist Sunday School Series, as good literature to be taken and read in our families.

Respectfully Submitted,

H. MARSHALL.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright the report was adopted for discussion. Discussed by Brethren A. V. Rowe and W. L. Souter. The Association was adjourned till 7 o'clock tonight.

Dismissed by Bro. I. M. Gray.

SECOND DAY—NIGHT SESSION.

Bro. B. R. Hughey delivered to a crowded house his famous Lecture, holding the audience spell bound for one hour, at the close of which a public collection was taken for the Woman's Society of New Albany Baptist church for the purpose of furnishing the new church house. Amount collected $26.47.

THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercise conducted by Bro. L. R. Burress.

Minutes of second day read and adopted.

The Moderator gave the hand of welcome to Brethren L. R. Burress, of the Tishomingo Association, and H. M. Long, who is traveling in the interest of the papers.

The report on Documents and Publications again taken up. Discussed by Brethren L. R. Burress and H. M. Long. The report was then adopted.

Report on Finance.

CHURCHES.	FOR MINUTES.
Cherry Creek	$2.25
Pleasant Hill	1.00
Macedonia	.70
Philadelphia	.75
Mt. Pisgah	1.80
Fredonia	.35
Cypress Creek	.70
Spring Hill	1.00
Oak Grove	1.70
Tula	1.00
Amaziah	.70
Salem	.75
Mt. Pleasant	.90
Temperance Hill	.50
Friendship	1.00
New Hope	.50
Liberty	.60
New Albany	2.25
Balance left over from 1897	1.75
Public collection for printing minutes	3.75
J. H. Collins from Spring Hill	.50
	$24.45

Submitted,

W. R. SPENCER,
O. B. SOUTER,
J. W. BOATWRIGHT

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souter the report was adopted, giving the Clerk power to add any amount that may be paid in for this purpose.

The following resolution was offered by Bro. J. W. Boatwright and on motion of Bro. Boatwright was adopted to wit:

Resolved that the Clerk be authorized to superintend the printing of the minutes and that he be allowed Seven and one half dollars for his services.

Report of Committee on Nominations.

Your committe nominates Philadelphia or Mt. Pleasant as place for the next meeting of this body.

Bro. J. S. Hubbard to preach the introductory sermon and J. J. Gibson, alternate.

Bro. C. W. Smith delegate to the Southern Baptist Convention and V. B. Tucker, alternate.

And we recommend the continuence of the present Executive Board.

On motion of Bro. C. S. Robertson the report was amended by striking out "or Mt. Pleasant," and the report as amended was adopted.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright the Clerk was instructed to put in the minutes the Program for and the time and place of the next Sunday School Institute.

On motion of Bro. W. M. Gadd all members of this Association, who meet with the different bodies with which we usually correspond, knowing themselves to be in good standing with their churches, may be considered as messengers to these bodies.

On motion of Bro. W. L. Souter the officers of this Assosociation with the Executive committee are instructed to confer with the different Associations as to the propriety of having a reunion during the year 1900.

The following report was read by Bro. W. M. Berry for our Treasurer B. O. Garner who was absent, to wit:

Treasurer's Report.

1897.

Oct.	1, am't rec'd from predecessor, A. D. Tucker	$67.15
Oct.	4. am't rec'd L. M. S. and Sunbeams for Orph.	5.45
Nov.	20 am't rec'd Mt. Pleasant ch. for Miss. College	5.00
Nov.	20 am't rec'd Mt. Pleasant ch., Min. Education	6.40

1898.

Jan.	10 am't rec'd Cherry Crek ch., For. Mission	30.15
Jan.	10 am't rec'd L. M. S. Cherry Creek ch., For. Mis.	7.00
Feb.	7, am't rec'd Cherry Creek ch., Miss. College.	12.50
Feb.	11, am't rec'd Mt. Pleasant ch., For. Mission.	31.03
Feb.	24, am't rec'd Liberty ch., For. Mission.	10.55
Apr.	11, am't rec'd Cherry Creek ch., Home Mission.	22.30
Apr.	11, am't rec'd L. M. S. Cherry Crk. ch., H. Mis.	1.15
Apr.	11, am't rec'd L. M. S. Cherry Crk ch., For. Mis.	2.55
Apr.	11, am't rec'd L. M. S. Cherry Crk ch., Mis. Col.	.50
Apr.	17, am't rec'd New Hope ch., For. Missions.	2.75
Apr.	17, am't rec'd Friendship ch., For. Missions.	2.00

Apr. 19, am't rec'd Macedonia ch., For. Missions.	7.45
Apr. 23, am't rec'd Spring Creek ch., For. Missions.	11.50
Apr. 25, am't rec'd Fr'dship ch., ex. delegate S. B. C.	1.00
Apr. 26, am't rec'd Toccopola ch., ex. delegate S. B. C.	.60
Apr. 26, am't rec'd Tula ch., ex. delegate S. B. C.	.25
Apr. 26, am't recd Oak Grove ch., ex. delegate S. B. C.	1.00
May 1, am,t recd Cherry Crk. ch. ex. delegate S. B. C.	1.45
May 3, am't rec'd Fredonia ch., For. Missions.	11.00
Feb. 28, am't rec'd Myrtle ch., Miss. College.	6.25
Mch. 28, am't rec'd Myrtle ch., Missions	7.10
Apr. 19, am't rec'd Toccopola ch., For. Missions.	7.60
May 24, am't rec'd Cherry Crk. S. S. Miss. College.	10.00
June 13, am't recd L. M. S. Cherry Crk. ch. State Mis.	2.50
July 6, am't rec'd Cherry Crk. ch., State Missions.	13.10
July 12, am't rec'd Mt. Pleasant ch., Home Missions.	9.20
July 12, am't rec'd Philadelphia ch., For. Missions.	3.15
July 12 amt rec'd L. M. S. Philadelphia ch., For. Mis.	1.85
Sept. 24, am't rec'd Friendship ch., Missions.	5.10
Oct. 5, am't rec'd Cherry Creek ch., Bap. Orphanage.	8.00
Oct. 31, am't rec'd V. B. Tucker sale Book.	.40
Nov. 8, am't rec'd Liberty ch. Home Missions.	6.30
Nov. 21, am't rec'd Bay Springs ch., Missions.	9.00
Nov. 22, am't rec'd Toccopola ch., State Mission.	3.60
Nov. 28, am't rec'd Spring Hill ch., For. Missions.	3.75
Nov. 29, am't rec'd Tula ch., Missions.	2.50
Nov. 30, am't rec'd Mt. Pleasant ch., State Missions.	6.45
Nov. 30, am't rec'd Cypress Creek ch., Missions.	13.75
Nov. 30, am't rec'd Mt. Pisgah ch., Missions.	3.00
Total Received	$378.93

PAID OUT.

1897.	
Oct. 23, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	$64.45
Oct. 23, am't sent L. S. Foster.	5.45
Oct. 23, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	11.40
1898.	
Jan. 17 am't sent A. V. Rowe.	37.15
Feb. 3, am't sent Jno. Thompson by V. B. Tucker.	2.70
Feb. 7, am't sent W. T. Lowrey by L. R. Burress.	12.50
Feb. 16, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	31.03
Feb. 24, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	10.55
Apr. 11, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	26.50
May 2, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	23.55
June 13, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	11.00

June 13, am't sent W. T. Lowrey by Myrtle ch., Feb. 28	6.25
June 13, am't sent A. V. Rowe by W. E. Berry Mch. 28	7.10
June 13, am't sent A. V. Rowe by R. A. Cooper Toccopola church.	7.60
June 13, am't sent W. T. Lowrey by V. B. Tucker Cherry Creek church.	10.00
July 6, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	13.10
July 21, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	16.70
Oct. 12, am't sent A. V. Rowe.	5.10
Oct. 12, am't sent Orphanage.	8.00
Oct. 31, am't sent V. B. Tucker for stamps.	.65
Oct. 31, am't sent V. B. Tucker for stationery.	.40
Oct. 31, am't sent for stamps Treasurer's use.	.68
Nov. 30, am't on hand to balance.	67.07
	$378.93

On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright the report was adopted.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright, Bro. J. W. Tucker was elected assistant Treasurer of this Association.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright the following resolution was adopted.

Resolved that the thanks of this body are hereby extended to the church and people of New Albany for the kind hospitable manner in which they have treated us while laboring in her midst.

On motion of Bro. W. M. Gadd a committee consisting of Brethren J. W. Boatwright, C. W. Smith and W. L. Souter, was appointed to get up and have printed in the minutes a memorial page in memory of our beloved and lamented Isaac Smith, who has been taken from us since our last meeting.

On motion of Bro. W. M. Gadd thanks of the Association was tendered the officers of this body for their services.

On motion of Bro. J. W. Boatwright the minutes of this last day were left with the Clerk for correction.

On motion of Bro. W. M. Gadd the Association was adjourned to meet with the Philadelphia Baptist church on Tuesday before the Third Sunday in September 1899.

C. W SMITH, Moderator,

V. B. TUCKER, Clerk.

The next annual meeting of the Chickasaw Baptist Sun-

day School Institute will meet with the Shady Grove church 6 miles west of Ecru, on Saturday before the fifth Sunday in April 1899 at 10 o'clock p. m.

The Preachers and Pastors of our Association are earnestly invited to be with us in this meeting.

PROGRAM FOR THIS MEETING.

1. Should Baptist Sunday Schools which are independent of church connection be encouraged?—W. J. Ball and A. J. Jones.

2. Qualifications of a Sunday School Superintendent.—W. M. Gadd and W. L. Souter.

3. Qualifications of Sunday School teachers.—J. W, Boatwright and V. B. Tucker.

4. The advantages and disadvantages of using Sunday school helps.—J. J. Gibson and C. W. Smith.

5. Sunday school lesson for the day taught by the Pastor of the church at which the Institute shall be held.

W. L. SOUTER, President.

V. B. TUCKER, Clerk.

Vice Presidents—J. W. BOATWRIGHT, W. M. GADD, J. W. TUCKER, and V. B. TUCKER.

Our State Board has asked our Association for $650.00 for Missions and $25.00 for Ministerial Education which is a little less than 25 cents per member. The Executive Board earnestly insists on each church to try to raise at least an amount equal to 25 cents per member for this purpose and send up to our Treasurer, B. O. Garner, Ecru, Miss., so he can forward to our Secretary, Bro. A. V. Rowe.

W. R. SPENCER, Chairman.

V. B. TUCKER, Clerk of Board.

REV. ISAAC SMITH.

In memory of Eld. Isaac Smith who was born in Newbury Dist., S. C., Aug. 24, 1817.

Moved to North Alabama with his parents in his boyhood and professed religion and united with the Rocky Mount Baptist church.

Moved to Pontotoc county Mississippi, in the fall of 1843. Joined the church at Cherry Creek by letter, January 13, 1844. Licensed to preach by Cherry Creek church in August 1854. Dismissed from this church by letter Nov. 1854 to unite with Mt. Pleasant church and was ordained by Mt. Pleasant church shortly afterwards.

Was elected Moderator of the Chickasaw Association in the year 1894 and served continually as Moderator of said Association until his death which occurred at his home in Union county Mississippi on July 3rd 1898.

Truly another good man has gone from among us.

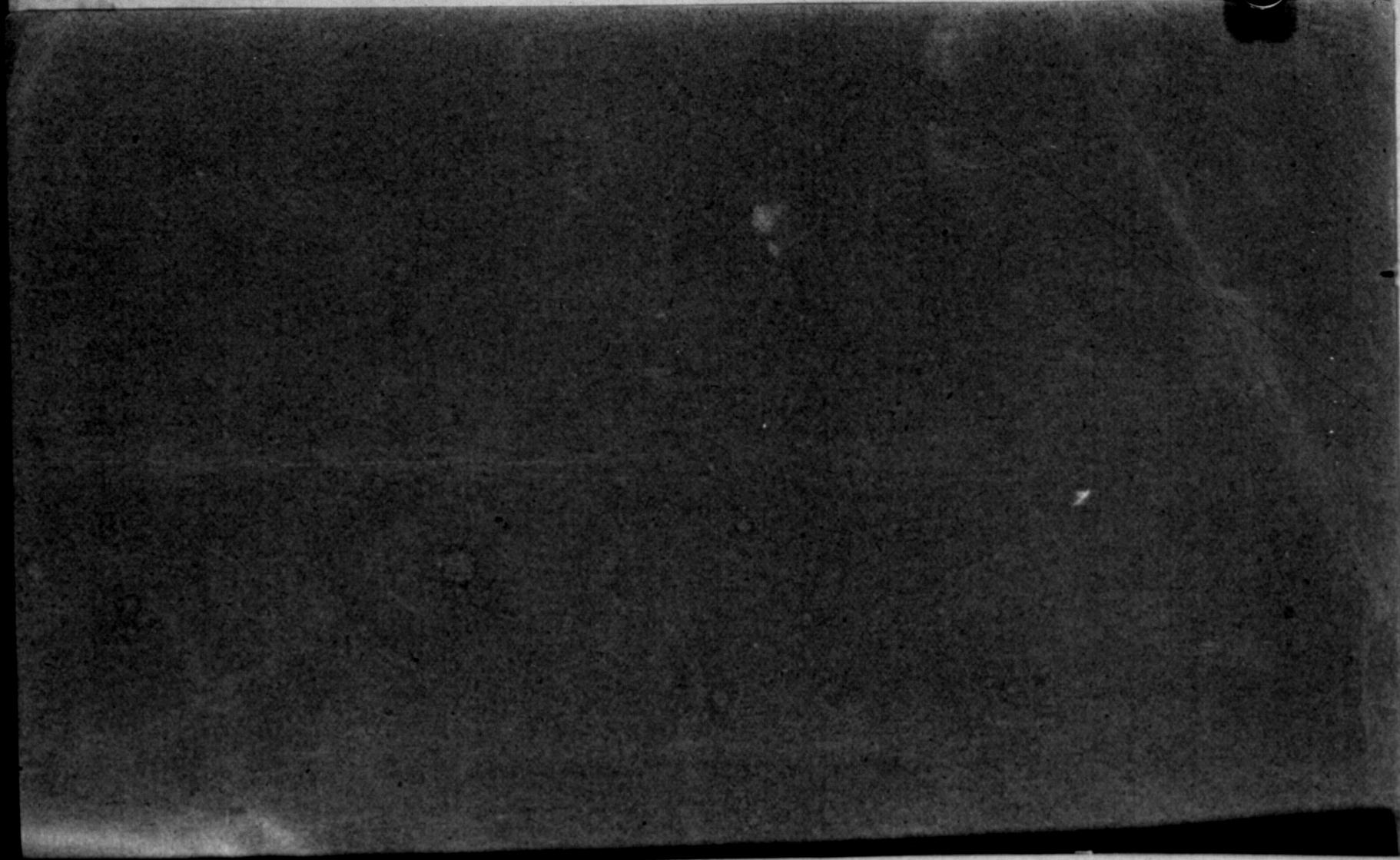
STATISTICAL TABLE OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Churches.	Pastors Salary.	Missions.....	Miss. College and Education.	Church Expenses....	Total.....	Supt. Sunday School.	Post Office of Supt's.	Literature Used.	No. Pupils....	No. of Months Held.
Amaziah.....										
Cypress Creek....	$50.00	$13 75			$63.75					
Cherry Creek.....	166 50	78.90	$20.86	$40.47	308.73	V. B. Tucker..	Ecru.	S. B. Con. Lit.....	109	12
Friendship	45.00	9.55			54.55	L. A Souter...	Ecru.	S. B. Con. Lit.....	54	9
Fredonia.	75.00	12.00		10.80	97.80	S. J. Homes..	Ingomar.....	A. B. Pub. So.....	55	6
Liberty.....	47.25	16.80		125.00	190 30	B. J. Caldwell	Wallerville.....	S. B. Con. Lit.....		
Macedonia.	37 50	7.50			45.00	J. T. Garrison.	Darden.....	S. B. Con Lit.....	130	
Mt. Pisgah· ...		3.00		1.80	4.80					
Myrtle..	75.00	8 00		17.00	100.10	S. C. Darden..	Myrtle.....		35	12
Mt. Pleasant.....	127 65	46.78		15.15	183.58	J. B. Smith...	Wallerville.....	S. B. Con. Lit.....	100	12
New Albany.. ...		81.50		46.00	127.50	J. T. Baker.	New Albany.....		110	12
Oak Grove. ...	100.00	14.50		6.00	120.50					
Pleasant Hill....				2.20		J. W. Oakes..	New Albany.....		58	
Philadelphia	52.25	5.00		53.45	110.70	G. F. Bonds..	Walton.....	S. B. Con. Lit.....	76	
New Hope.....										
Spring Hill.....	50.00	18.25			68.25	O. B. Souter.	Mud Creek.....	S. B. Con. Lit.....		12
Salem.....										
Temperance Hill.	40.00	6.50			46.50					
Tula.	87.00		20.00	31.60	131.60	Levi Davis....	Tula.....		54	
Valley.										

STATISTICAL TABLE.

Churches	Pastors	Post Office.	Clerks.	Post Offices.	Baptized	Rec'd by Letter	Restored	Deaths	Dismissed by Letter	Excluded	Total Membership
Amaziah	J. P. Rogers	Cornersville	E. A. Baker	Cornersville	8	7		2			110
Cypress Creek	J. S. Hubbard	Tula	T. W. Avent	Caswell	3			1			33
Cherry Creek	L. R. Burress	Geeville	D. E. Pitts	Cherry Creek	8	3		2	3		148
Friendship	J. J. Gibson	Banner	W. A. Gooch	Ecru	2	4			7		119
Fredonia	C. W. Smith	Darden	Neely Huskison	Ingomar		5					110
Liberty	J. A. Landers	Blue Springs	W. M. Mounce	Wallerville	3	1					89
Macedonia	I. M. Gray	Darden	E. S. Gray	Darden	9	4	3	2	5	6	115
Mt. Pisgah	A. J. Jones	Gallway	R. F. Maxey	Gallway	5			5	4		85
Myrtle	W. E. Berry	Blue Mountain	J. T. Reynolds	Myrtle		2		2			30
Mt. Pleasant	T. A. J. Beasley	Poplar Springs	C. S Cullens	Wallerville	11		1	3	2		167
New Albany	J. D. Anderson	Blue Mountain	S. D. Owen	New Albany	1	14		3	5	2	151
Oak Grove	C. W. Smith	Darden	W. M. Hargrove	Avenelle	2	4	2	1	5	1	94
Pleasant Hill	C. W. Smith	Darden	R. J. Lee	Keownville	14	3	3	5	2	7	115
Philadelphia	C. W Smith	Darden	H. H Baker	Walton		2	1		2		70
New Hope	F. M. Ferrell	Toccopola	W. H. Seale	Brame					1		74
Spring Hill	F. M. Ferrill	Toccopola	O. B. Souter	Mud Creek	12	7	2	2	3		140
Salem	J. P. Rogers	Cornersville	J. B. Rhea	Cornersville	2	4				2	70
Temperance Hill	J. R. Sumner	Houston	J. W. Boatwright	Waits	1	4				1	42
Tula	W I. Hargis	Oxford	W. B Colemon	Tula	4	10			10		102
Valley	T. R. Stroup	New Albany	J. W Tate	New Albany				1	2		37

Twelve churches absent this year that reported last year about 1,000 members.



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